

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application Number : 10/771,284 Confirmation No.: 3238  
Applicant : Richard ASSAKER et al.  
Filed : February 5, 2004  
Title : BONE PLATE ASSEMBLY  
TC/Art Unit : 3733  
Examiner: : Jerry L. CUMBERLEDGE  
Docket No. : 64118.000046  
Customer No. : 21967

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action dated July 10, 2006, please consider the amendments and remarks below.

**Amendments the claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.